

Appointment of a Public Member to the Moss Park Arena Board

Date: March 22, 2023

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: City Clerk

Wards: 13

SUMMARY

This report recommends one candidate for appointment to fill a current vacancy on the Moss Park Arena Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council appoint the following candidate to the Moss Park Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on April 13, 2027, and until a successor is appointed:

- Lauren Butler

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held November 24, 2021, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 2 public members to the Moss Park Arena Board for a term ending November 25, 2025, and until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.TE29.56>

At its meeting held February 24, 2021, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 3 public members to the Moss Park Arena Board with 1 member serving a term ending June 26, 2023 and 2 members serving a term ending February 24, 2025, and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2021.TE23.74>

At its meeting held March 12, 2020, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 1 public member to the Moss Park Arena Board for a term ending March 12, 2024 and until a successor is appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.TE14.62>

At its meeting held June 25, 2019, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 3 public members to the Moss Park Arena Board for a term ending June 26, 2023 and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.TE7.124>

At its meeting held July 16, 17 & 18, 2019, City Council waived the two-term limit for public appointments and appointed 1 public member to the Moss Park Arena Board for a term ending June 26, 2023 and until a successor is appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.TE7.124>

Comments

Composition of the Moss Park Arena Board

The board is composed of:

- The Councillor for Ward 13
- 9 public members, 1 of whom may be nominated by the Central Toronto Skating Club
- 1 non-voting staff member from the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division

There is currently one position under consideration

This position is a result of the resignation of Sona Dhawan on December 5, 2022.

Term of office

The term of office for public appointees to the Moss Park Arena Board is four years. The member appointed through this process will serve a term of office ending April 13, 2027, and until a successor is appointed.

The City Clerk recruits and recommends candidates for Arena Boards to Community Council

City Council has authorized the City Clerk to screen, interview and recommend candidates for the Moss Park Arena Board to the Toronto and East York Community Council.

City Clerk's staff conducted outreach to attract qualified individuals with relevant skills and qualifications, including financial management and marketing. City Clerk's staff promoted the opportunity using social media and to various professional and community organizations. Consideration was also given to reflecting gender, diversity, and geographical representation on the Moss Park Arena Board.

Staff from the City Clerk's Office and Parks, Forestry and Recreation shortlisted and interviewed four candidates based on the City Council approved qualifications and eligibility criteria. Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff were asked to participate on the panel as subject matter experts due to their relationship with Moss Park Arena. The panel consisted of:

- Operation Support Officer, Community Recreation, Parks, Forestry & Recreation
- Acting People Services Consultant, Public Appointments, City Clerk's Office

The panel determined the final candidates by weighing their applications and interview performance.

Staff are recommending one highly qualified candidate for appointment

Staff from Parks, Forestry and Recreation and City Clerk's Office are recommending one highly qualified candidate for appointment to Moss Park Arena Board (see Attachment 1). This candidate meets a range of City Council approved qualifications for the Moss Park Arena Board with the relevant knowledge and experience.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Recommended Candidate and Biography for the Moss Park Arena Board